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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/031,320  
Applicant : Sakhrat Khizroev et al.  
Filed: : January 17, 2002  
Title: Longitudinal Magnetic Recording Heads with  
Variable-Length Gaps  
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Examiner : David Louis Ometz  
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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents  
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July 23, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 26, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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